



Rugby event at St Mary's

Rothwell St Mary's R.C. School recently invited a new and exciting organisation called WR Active Learning that provides a variety of opportunities for young children to participate in a multiple of sporting activities to the school.

Under the leadership of Will Ryder WR Active Learning is currently working alongside a number of Primary Schools in the West Yorkshire area by providing curricular and extra-curricular Sports. Their aim is to increase and maintain future participation in physical activity by making it an enjoyable and rewarding experience. We are more than aware of the ever increasing obesity levels in this country, therefore, educate the children on diet and maintaining a

healthy lifestyle.

Throughout the school year Active Learning have conducted activities at Rothwell St. Mary's Primary School. Along with Headteacher, Steve Nicholson, Will has worked closely to provide Dance and Tag Rugby to all ages and aims to introduce basketball, multi-skills and gymnastics come September. Pictured here Active Learning provided an extra-curricular Rugby session supported by two professional Super League Rugby players. Chris Feather of Leeds Rhinos and Gareth Ellis, also of Leeds Rhinos and Great Britain, attended the event to provide support and encouragement to the children. The pupils also had the opportunity to ask the players questions regarding the professional game

and receive a brief coaching session. Hopefully this will have generated an interest in the sport and provided children with the motivation to reach the top level. Additional activities in schools have proved to be a huge success. During the Easter break they worked alongside Mr Michael Rossiter, Headteacher at Woodlesford Primary School to provide a two-day soccer camp, which was subscribed to by over 100 children.

A Premiership professional footballer from Sheffield United F.C., Nick Montgomery attended the event to provide support and give his advice to young players. Further sporting events will be taking place throughout the May half-term and the summer period.